

**Holy cross & St. Patrick Church  
Callicoon and Long Eddy NY**

# THANKSGIVING DAY



## HOLY CROSS AND ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Callicoon NY and Lond Eddy NY

Holy Eucharist

Mon– Tue / Fri –Sat - 8.30 am in Holy Cross Church  
Thursday - 7.00 pm in Holy Cross Church  
Saturday vigil Mass - 4.30 pm in Holy Cross Church  
Sunday morning mass - 11.00 am in Holy Cross Church  
Sunday morning mass - 08.30 am in St. Patrick Church

Adoration:

Mon-Tue / Fri– Sat - 08.00-8.30 am in Holy Cross  
Confession - Saturday 4.00-4.30 pm in Holy Cross Church

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## Bible Study

Every member of our parish is invited to participate in the group discussion about the liturgy of upcoming Sunday. In this bible study, we watch videos of reflections, we read the scriptures and share our understanding. Hence this is an opportunity to enlighten ourselves with the Word of God.

When: Every Monday  
Where: Meeting hall in Rectory  
Time: 11.00 -12.00



## New Beginnings Women's Prayer and Faith Sharing Group

All women of the parish are invited to the next meeting of our new women's group. The date is **November 28 at 1 PM in the downstairs Parish Rectory Meeting Room.** We are changing the date this month because many of us would be traveling Thanksgiving week. Our gatherings are a place of welcome, prayerful reflection, lively conversation, faith sharing and new friendships. This month's reflection is called Faithful Love from a book by Sr Joyce Rupp. Our time together will help us explore how God's enduring love for us can enable us to love others generously too. Please call Linda English 845-887- 4317 for more information. New

## Weekly Offering

Regular Collection : \$ 1837.00  
Thank you for your generosity . . .

## Second collection for today

Please be generous in this week's second collection for the Catholic Charities campaign for Charity and Justice. Catholic Charities will direct the funds back to parishes and community-based organizations to fund local projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection. More information about the collection can be found at [www.catholiccharitiesny.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesny.org)

**The Catholic Churches of Sullivan County to host "Making Room" an Advent Afternoon of Prayer and Reflection, Sunday December 3, 2017, 1:00 to 3:30 PM**

The Catholic Churches of Sullivan County will hold an afternoon gathering, **1:00- 3:30 PM December 3, 2017 at the Parish Center, St George Church, 97 Schoolhouse Hill Rd, Jeffersonville, NY.** The presentation will be led by Sr. Chris Koellhoffer, IHM, from Scranton PA. Well received during the season of Lent, Sr. Chris will return to share her deep faith and spiritual insights for Advent. A regular contributor to *Living Faith*, a daily reflection publication from Creative Communications, Sr. Chris is also author of books and popular retreat presenter throughout the Northeast. She can also be followed on her blog [www.chriskoellhofferihm.org](http://www.chriskoellhofferihm.org) or on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/mobilespiritualityministry](http://www.facebook.com/mobilespiritualityministry)

Advent, a season rich in meaning, comes at the beginning of the Liturgical year. It offers us a glimpse into what is needed to accommodate the coming of God into our lives. With no room for Jesus' birth in an inn, he found warmth and shelter where there was space for him--in a manger, in the welcoming hearts of shepherds and seekers. Today, Emmanuel, God-with-us, continues to ask for room in our hearts, but now he speaks through the voice of our neighbors and through the wounds and hopes of our world.

In our time and place, how are we called to make room for the presence of Emmanuel once again? What might Advent say to us about the practice of more engaged prayer, deeper spaciousness of heart, and the justice of right relationship?

Come join with friends and neighbors of all Sullivan County parishes. Refreshments will be served. Those attending will receive a warm welcome and food for thought for the coming season. For more information please contact **Linda English 845.887.4317** or **Sullivan County Regional Catechetical Office 845.292.9100.**

*Mass for the Intentions  for the Week*

**Nov, 18th - Nov, 26th - 2017**

Nov, 18th - Sat - Weekday

**8.30 am -**

**3.00 pm - John Doyle by English Family ( St. Patrick Church)**

**4.30 pm - + Florence & Walter Hubert By their Children**

Nov, 19h – Sunday - 33rd in Ordinary Time

**8.30am - + Jamie Geosits by Frank & Kathy**

**11.00am - Steve Eschenberg by Edward T. Sykes**

Nov, 20th - Mon - Weekday

**8.30 am - + Sydney Peter by James Henke**

Nov, 21st - Tue - The presentation of the **BVM**

**8.30am - + Sydney Peter by James Henke**

Nov, 22nd - Wed- St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

**No mass**

**7.00 pm - Thanks giving Eve Mass ( H.C.)**

Nov, 23rd - Thur - **Thanksgiving Day**

**8.30 am - Fr. Anthony Moore OFM, by Tim Bennis**

Nov 24th - Fri –St. Andrew Dung-Lac, priest & companions Martyrs

**8.30 pm - Raucuci By His wife Norua & Familiy**

Nov 25th - Sat - Weekday

**8.30am - + Steve Eschenberg by Ray Fran Boid**

**4.30 pm + Joe Gaschler by Helan Gaschler**

**Nov 26th - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**8.30 am - + Rease Rocje by Edward T. Sykes**

**11.00 am Jim Gillespie/ Jim McLanghlin by Tim Bennis**

**33<sup>rd</sup> In ordinary Sunday, Nov, 19th, 2017**

With peace and Love

**Fr Joseph Raj MMI and Dn. John Lyttle**

**Please pray for the Sick in our parish:**

G. Rosenberger, P. J. McCarthy, J. Gottesmann, T. Capuano, , H. Rieger, K. Eschenberg, J. Feeley, R.&J. Sauve, M. Roche, R. Knack, Ron Rhodes JR, Dan Buddenhagen, Rita Rasmussen, and Brenda Long, Thomas Kaufmann.

***Christmas - Crib & Tree - precious symbols***

In 1223, St. Francis of Assisi simply and joyfully commemorated the scene of the Nativity according to the infancy gospel, and the crib thus became one of the traditional and best-loved symbols of Christmas.

In the crib we contemplate the one who stripped himself of divine glory in order to become poor, driven by love for mankind. Beside the crib the Christmas tree, with its twinkling lights, reminds us that with the birth of Jesus the tree of life has blossomed anew in the desert of humanity. The crib and the tree: precious symbols, which hand down in time the true meaning of Christmas!

Today, amid a politically correct and consumerist Christmas attitude, we are allowing ourselves to be stripped of our traditions, the dearest and most venerable, the oldest and sweetest, the truest and most beautiful, so that carelessly, through neglect, we are abandoning Christ to follow the latest futile fad.

A sensitive Christian would not let anything replace the crib and Christmas tree. Commemorating these means passing on the history of popular piety and religiosity. Putting up the crib and Christmas tree in homes and public places, not in a folkloric manner but as symbols of faith, prayer and offering, means rediscovering joy and the solidarity of friendship, the human tenderness of relations and the piety of souls of enchanted children and adults.

In advancement of faith, family and fraternity may we all strive to keep Christ in Christmas!